

# The ECOTOX Knowledgebase Pipeline: From literature search to data extraction





Improve Pipeline and Enhance Utility

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#### **ECOTOX Knowledgebase**

- ECOTOX is a comprehensive, publicly available ECOTOXicology knowledgebase developed originally in the early 1980s and maintained by EPA ORD.
- ECOTOX provides access to environmental toxicity data on aquatic life, terrestrial plants and wildlife derived from publications identified after a comprehensive search of the open literature.
- ECOTOX literature is retrieved using a comprehensive strategy
  from electronic databases augmented with review bibliographies
  and summary articles; this process is evaluated and revised
  continually.
- ECOTOX is an internationally utilized comprehensive knowledgebase summarizing the toxicity of single chemicals to aquatic and terrestrial organisms.



#### What is the ECOTOX Knowledgebase???

- 30+ year history of supporting EPA (Originated in the early 80's): Currently average about 150,000 requests for data/month from about 7000 distinct hosts.
- Includes 881,950 result records from 46,754 publications and 7 independently compiled data sets (e.g. EPA Pesticide database, USGS, OECD) covering 11,268 chemicals and 12,395 terrestrial and aquatic specie

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<sup>\*</sup>U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. 2017. ECOTOX User Guide: ECOTOXicology Database System. Version 4.0. Available: http://www.epa.gov/ecotox/, July 13, 2017.



#### State and Federal Regulatory Applications

## CERCLA

GWA

- Site-specific ecological risk assessments on hazardous waste sites
- Development of benchmarks
  - Ecological soil screening levels
  - Organism toxicity reference values
  - Surface water effect concentrations
  - Sediment effect concentrations
- Ambient Water Quality Criteria for Aquatic Life
- Pesticide Registration
- Data source for Endangered Species chemical assessments
- Emergency Response
  - Assessment of ecological effects
  - Prioritization of threat from chemicals

**FQPA** 



Develop literature search Conduct searches

Identify potentially applicable studies

Acquire potentially applicable studies

Apply
ECOTOX
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criteria

Code Data into ECOTOX



Glossary

**Related Websites** 

EPA Database/System Websites

**ECOTOX and Related SOPs** 

### **ECOTOX** Pipeline

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**About ECOTOX Literature Searches** 

**ECOTOX Literature and Paper Processing** 

**ECOTOX Citation Identification and Skim** 

**ECOTOX Chemical Verification and Entry** 

**EFED Chemical Verification and Application of Criteria** 

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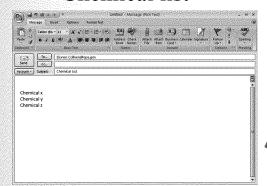
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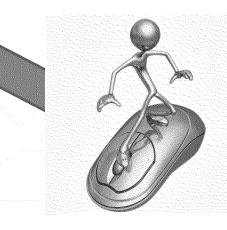


#### Identify, test, and QA search terms

#### Chemical list



Search various web sources for chemical terms, Synonyms, verify CAS, eliminate poor search terms



Couple hour process



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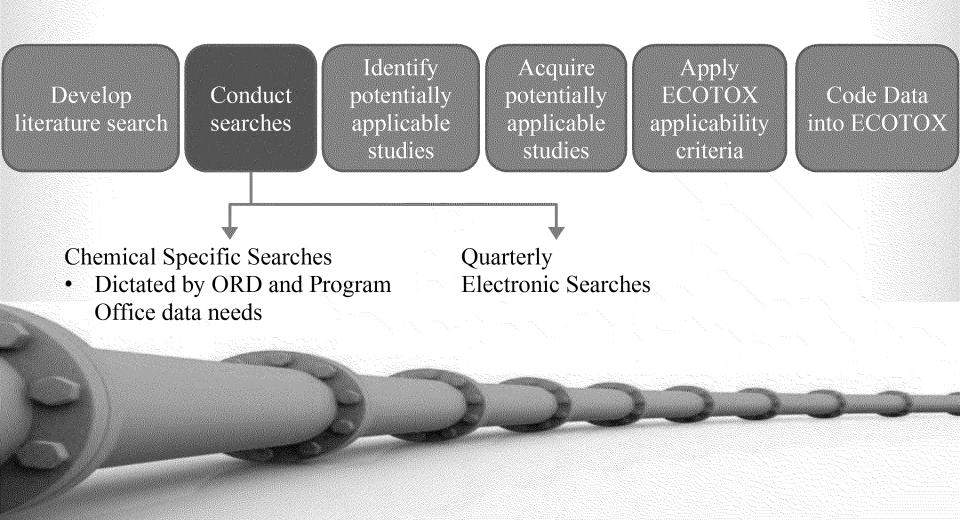
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Enter chemical terms into template for abstracting databases







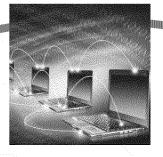
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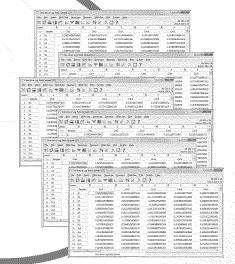


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- 3. TOXNET
- 4. ProQuest CSA
- 5. Dissertation Abstracts
- 6. Web of Science
- 7. SciFinder
- 8. PubMed
- 9. ECOTOX holdings

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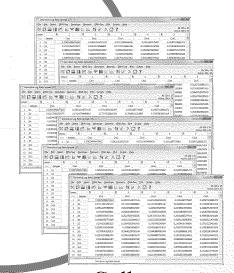
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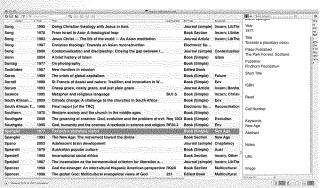
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## Skimming to ID Applicability



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## Skim titles and abstracts, use exclusion criteria to eliminate non-applicable

solution (0.50%) of permethrin were separately sprayed onto cotton or polyester, followed by successive washes of the fabric. The results showed that the fabrics treated with P-LNA are more resistant than other solutions in terms of remaining permethrin content. The twenty washes, the cortical treated with P-LNC, presented treatment with P-LNC, presented treatment with the substance hydroalcoholic solution and with the commercial product the concentrations values were of 340 +/- 7 mg/N2 and 224 +/- 74 mg/N2, respectively, when the test was performed using polyester. Therefore the substance hydroalcoholic solution and 22 +/- 3 mg/N2, and the substance hydroalcoholic solution and 22 +/- 3 mg/N2 for the substance hydroalcoholic solution and 22 +/- 3 mg/N2 for the substance hydroalcoholic solution and 22 +/- 3 mg/N2 for the commercial product. After Tompregnating cortion with the commercial substance hydroalcoholic solution and 136 +/- 10 mg/N2 for the substance hydroalcoholic solution and 136 +/- 62 mg/N2 for commercial product). These results showed that the repellent space composed of 7-41M, developed in this work insects, useful for impregnation onto cortion garments.

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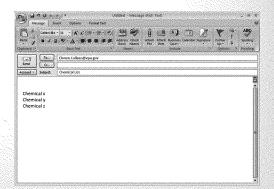
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**Primarily Manual Skimming** 

- 1. Based on Title/Abstract:
- 2. Do not exclude if unsure
- 3. Must meet minimum criteria (single chemical exposure to non-human species)
- 4. Other exclusion criteria if possible (e.g., in vitro studies)

Send applicable reference list for acquisition





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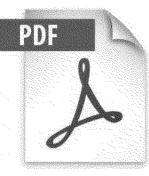
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#### **Skimming PDF for Applicability Criteria**



Skim for Applicability Primarily Manual



Ecotoxicology 2, 93-120 (1993)

The impact of the Cyanamid Canada Co. discharges to benthic invertebrates in the Welland River in Niagara Falls, Canada

MIKE DICKMAN and GRAZYNA RYGIEL

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Received 15 July 1992; accepted 6 December 1992

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1,332 References



## **Applicability of Studies**

- Paper must meet these criteria
  - Single chemical exposure
  - Ecologically-relevant species
  - Must be able to verify CAS registry numbers
  - Must be able to verify taxonomic information for test species
  - Exposure to live organism, viable tissue or cells
  - Report concurrent exposure concentration, dose or application rate
  - Report duration of exposure
  - Primary source of the data
  - Study must be a full article in English
- The following studies are excluded
  - Air pollution studies related to CO2 and ozone
  - Studies on humans, monkeys, bacteria, viruses and yeast
  - Review and summary articles
  - Terrestrial studies with an inhalation route of exposure
  - Non-English publications and abstracts

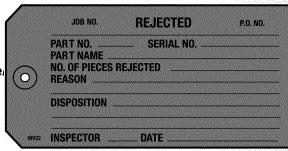






#### **Applicability of Studies Continued**

- All excluded studies are Tagged with the reason for rejection
  - Abstract Published as an abstract
  - Bacteria only test organisms are bacteria
  - CAS # Unavailable could not verify/locate chemical CAS Registry number
  - Chemical method description of chemical analysis procedures
  - Effluent tests conducted with sewage or polluted runoff mixtures
  - Fate only report chemical distribution in media
  - Human Health data on human subjects of surrogate animal subjects for human health risk assessment
  - Incident reports death of animal by poison, but does not provide concentration/duration of exposure
  - Inhale study is a terrestrial mammal paper with an inhalation route of exposure
  - Method paper only reports methods for conducting a toxicity test or other aspect of an experiment
  - Mixture paper reports results from mixture of chemicals; no single chemical exposure results
  - Modeling results of the development of a model; no primary data available
  - Monkey only test organism is a monkey
  - No Conc the authors report a response in an organism but do not provide conc/dose/app rate
  - No Duration duration of exposure is not presented
  - No Effect paper does not report observed responses adverse of otherwise
  - No Species used for dead organisms
  - No Toxicant (ozone, CO2)
  - Non-English
  - Nutrient in situ chemical tested as nutrient
  - PUBL AS duplicate data published elsewhere
  - QSAR modeled data
  - Retracted paper retracted by Journal
  - Review primary data published elsewhere
  - Sediment only sediment conc presented
  - Survey chemical measured in organism, but lack quantification of exposure (dose
  - Virus only test organism a virus
  - Yeast only test organism is a yeast





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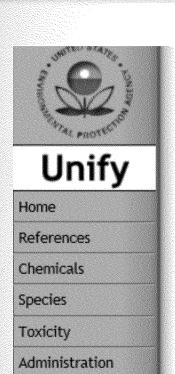
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## Data extraction and coding



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#### References

Manage Bibliographic Reference Information



#### Chemicals

Manage Chemical Information



#### Species

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#### Toxicity

Code Toxicity Information



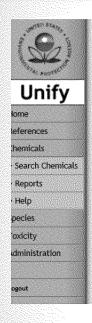
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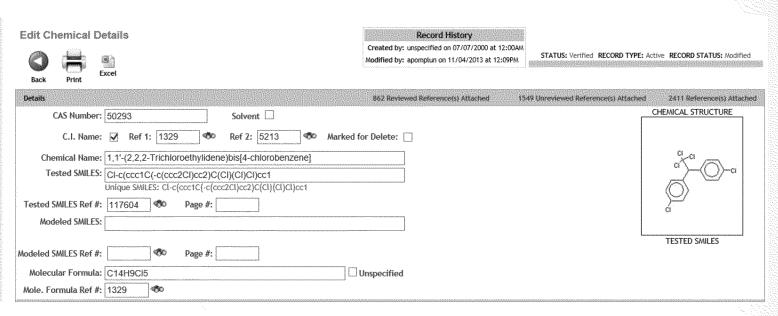
Manage Lookup Codes and Users

- Developed a software application called "Unify"
  - Increased efficiency in data curation
  - Increased consistency among technicians extracting the data
  - Provides for efficient Quality assurance



## Data extraction and coding







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Questions ??

 If time allows, the next few slides touch on the new version of ECOTOX



# Introducing the Next Generation of the ECOTOX Knowledgebase

Maintain Quality and Comprehensiveness



Improve and Enhance Utility





#### **New Look and Feel**

ECOTOX Know	rledgebase		Home Search	Explore Help	Contact Us
Data last updated  June 15, 2017  See update totals	Abamectin Asbestos Atrazine 1-Bromopropane Bromoxynil Carbon tetrachloride	Chloropicrin Cyclic Aliphatic Bromides Dazomet 1,4-Dioxane Dithiopyr Methylene chloride	N-Methylpyrrolidone Pymetrozine Pyrithiobac Tetrachloroethylene Trichloroethylene  OX IS IN BETA! your experience by providing	Total in database 11,268 Chemicals 46,754 References	12,395 Species 881,950 Results <sup>1</sup>

#### About ECOTOX

The ECOTOXicology knowledgebase (ECOTOX) is a comprehensive, publicly available knowledgebase providing single chemical environmental toxicity data on aquatic life, terrestrial plants and wildlife.



LEARN MORE

development.ecodev.csgov.com/ecotox-new/contact.cfm

#### **Getting Started**

If you know the exact search term(s) you are looking for, you can head straight to the Search page. However, if you'd like to explore the ECOTOX system and its available search parameters, use the Explore page. Utilize the Help page for more information and how to's.

#### **NEW Data Visualizations!**



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Using the ECOTOX Knowledgebase EXPLORE feature allows you to browse data within ECOTOX and use the data plotting option to view your results. You can interact with the data plots by hovering over specific data points or scrolling to zoom in on specific sections of data.



#### Search ECOTOX BETA version Similar Search Features to Original

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## **Explore ECOTOX BETA**

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#### **Group Filters**

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- 3 Behavior Group
- 3 Biochemical Group
- 3 Cellular Group
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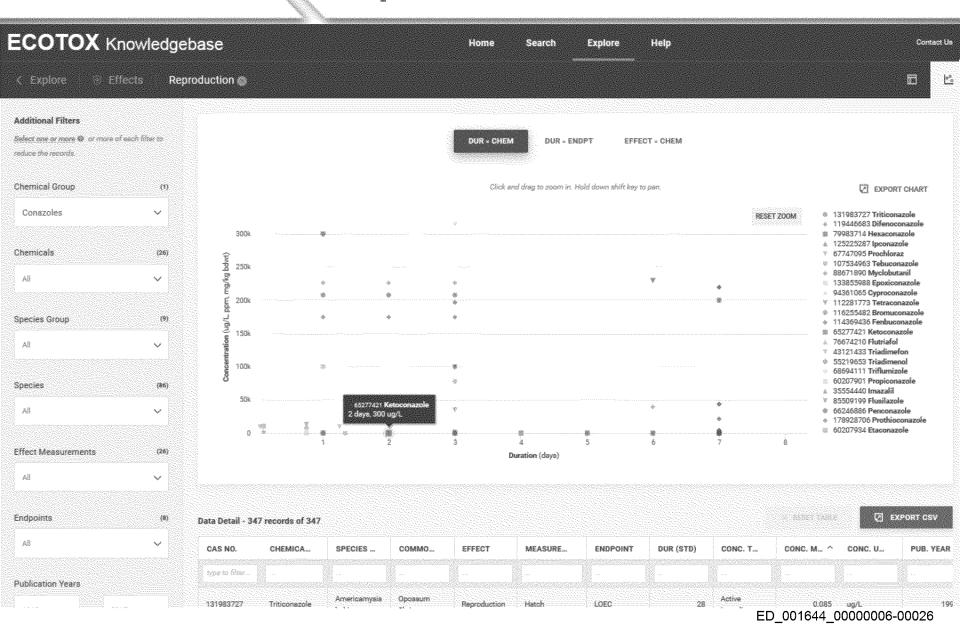
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	Cell(s)	9623	2009	1935	2016
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	Ecosystem process	641	156	1963	2014
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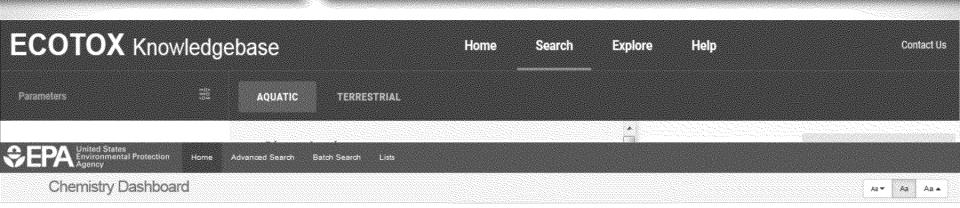


#### **Explore with Data Visualization**





## The ECOTOX/CompTox Chemistry Dashboard Connection





#### Chemistry Dashboard

Search a chemical by systematic name, synonym, CAS number, or InChiKey

Single component search Ignore isotopes

See what people are saying, read the dashboard comments!

Need more? Use advanced search.

747 Thousand Chemicals